

SENATE RESOLUTION 103
By Norris

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Annie Lucile "MeMe" Wallace McCreight on the celebration of eighty-fifth birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Annie Lucile "MeMe" Wallace McCreight will celebrate her eighty-fifth birthday on March 13, 2006, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the eldest of four sisters and four brothers, Annie Lucile Wallace was born in Covington, on March 13, 1921, to Robert and Gladys Wallace; and

WHEREAS, Annie Lucile Wallace attended Wilson Chapel and Cloppon Grammar School in Covington, and graduated from Byar's Hall High School in 1937; after graduation she began her working career at Wiggly Nelson Dry Good Store; and

WHEREAS, in August of 1942, Miss Annie Lucile Wallace was joined in marriage with Woodrow "Woody" Wilson McCreight of Mudsville, and the couple's blessed union produced two children, Wayne McCreight and Judy McCreight Gupton; and

WHEREAS, Lucile and Woody McCreight lived in the original McCreight homestead, which dates back to 1879, while they were building their new home on the family farm; Mrs. McCreight continued to work on the farm and became an active member of her church; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Rosemark Eastern Star Association, Lucile McCreight depicted the character of Ester from the Old Testament; Mrs. McCreight's life, like the story and life of Ester, reflects courage, purity, and favor to all people, regardless of personal risk; and

WHEREAS, in 1953, while serving as a part-time administrative secretary at Rosemark Elementary School, Mrs. McCreight accepted an additional part-time position as an account

representative with Paul Barrett, Jr., Cotton Gin, Incorporated, in Barrettville, and she continued to work there in a full-time capacity after the permanent closing of Rosemark Elementary; and

WHEREAS, in the autumn of 1968, Lucile McCreight joined the Shelby County Board of Education and served as an administrative secretary for Scenic Hills High School until her retirement in 1994; to recognize her estimable tenure, she was honored by the Board of Education with the Outstanding Service Award for her work with the school system's Secretarial Association; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lucile McCreight is a highly respected member of the Mudville community and regularly participates in various civic and community events; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McCreight evinces her devout faith as a member of the Pleasant Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and for over sixty years she has served on various committees, taught Sunday School, and organized special events and fundraisers; and

WHEREAS, MeMe McCreight still resides on the homestead of the McCreight family farm and cherishes her five adoring grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Annie Lucile "MeMe" Wallace McCreight on the celebration of her eighty-fifth birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.